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Applicants: David Ferry et al.  
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Title: A SEATING SYSTEM AND A PASSENGER ACCOMMODATION UNIT FOR A  
VEHICLE (AS AMENDED)  
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References GB2326824A, WO00/21831 A2, FR987559A, FR647809A and JP5-13838 are set forth in the background portion of the above specification on pages 2, 3, and 4.

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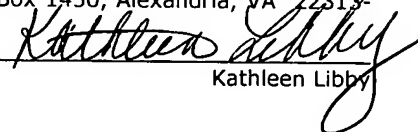
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